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Commissioner for Patents Mail Stop - New PCT Application P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

It is requested that U.S. national stage examination be carried out on the claims as amended herein.

Prior to computing the filing fee in this application, kindly amend the above identified application, as follows. The filing fee is to be computed on the claims of the application, as amended herein.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Amendment to the Abstract begins on page 6 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.